

REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, Applicants note that the reference, Branc et al. (EP 0402960), which was cited in the rejection of claims 28-31, was not listed on any of the PTO-892 Forms issued. Applicants again request that another PTO-892 Form be issued listing this reference, so that it may be printed on the face of the patent.

The Examiner's allowance of claims 10, 25, 28, 29 and 31 is acknowledged and appreciated.

The remaining pending claims 1-9, 11-24, 26 and 27 stand rejected as being obvious over a number of references. Independent claims 1, 6, 11, 18, 23 and 26 have been amended to recite that the outline has an aperture which is configured and adapted to be selectively opened and closed by a control circuit for controlling the temperature (or humidity) inside the outline. In view of the Examiner's allowance of claims 10 and 25 which describe features that have been added in the pending independent claims, it is believed that all independent claims, and their respective dependent claims, are now also allowable.

Since the added features described in the pending independent claims have already been considered, it is believed that further search would not be required. Accordingly, entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested.

For all of the above reasons, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the claimed invention. The Examiner should contact Applicants' undersigned attorney if a telephone conference would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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